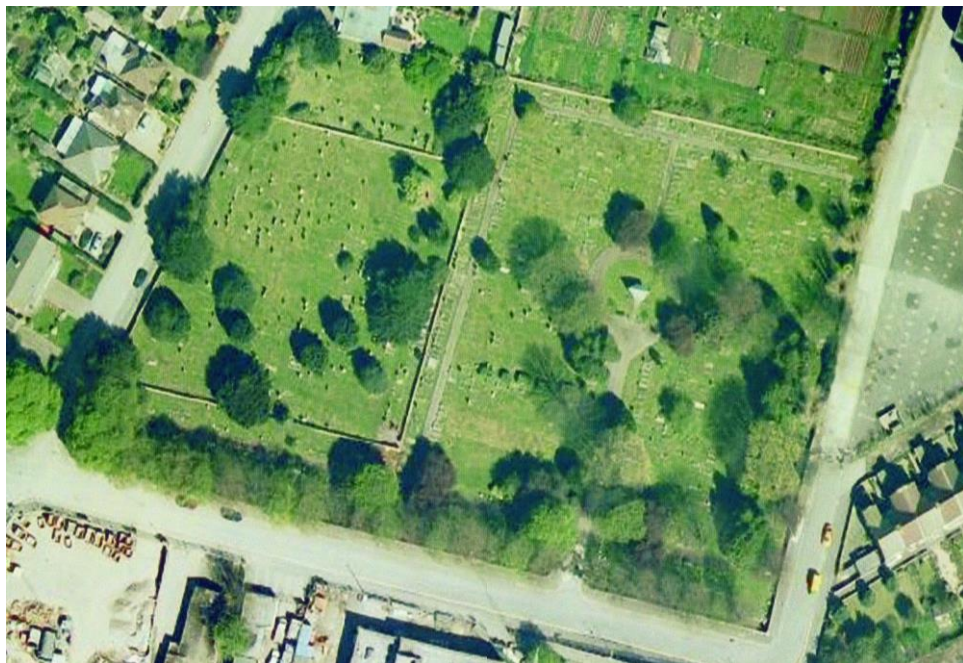


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History of the Havant Cemeteries' Project

A group of local residents were interested in enhancing the cemeteries for the benefit of wildlife and visitors. They approached Havant Borough Council with the idea who then asked the Conservation Volunteers to become involved.

Following this the idea of a two-year project to involve volunteers in discovering and enhancing the natural and social history at the Havant, (Dissenters', St Faith's and Council) and Warblington Cemeteries was created.

With funding from the National Lottery through The Heritage Lottery Fund the Conservation Volunteers have been able to set up the project to recruit and train a group of volunteers

Initially the group has been working in the Havant cemeteries performing tasks such as clearing brambles, recording grave stone inscriptions and hedgerow management. The volunteers have been careful not to over cultivate the areas as to encourage wildflowers and grasses to grow thus providing habitat for insects and wildlife and therefore increasing biodiversity. Plants have been purchased for the Holocaust memorial and wildflower mixes have been sown over the natural burial site in Warblington Cemetery. Grave inscriptions have been recorded to be given to the borough council and kept as an official record before they become illegible.

Other funders of the project are Asda, Waitrose and the Bedhampton Charitable Trust. Project partners were Havant Borough Council.

From August 2014 the project will be run by the volunteers who will continue to look after the wildlife and biodiversity at the Havant cemeteries.

If anyone is interested in volunteering to help in the project you can contact us by phone on 023 8040 2593 or by email at hcp@tcv.org.uk.

The conservation volunteers help hundreds of thousands of people each year to reclaim local green spaces. Through our own environmental projects, and our network of over 2,000 community groups, we see people across the UK taking responsibility for their own local environments every day.

For more information about the Conservation Volunteers visit our website at www.tcv.org.uk.

The Havant Cemeteries at New Lane and Eastern Road Dissenters' (United Reformed Church), St Faith's and Council

The original St Faith's church was built about 1150 on what may be the site of an earlier Saxon church and its adjoining graveyard provided Havant's only burial ground. The parish records covering the period of 1653 to 1851 record that some 6,000 departed souls were buried there and from this figure it has been estimated that the graveyard could contain the remains of over 20,000 people. Most of these would not have been in individual coffins but would have been placed side by side or on top of each other. At one time bodies were just wrapped in a shroud. As befits a town with connections with the wool trade the records of 'burial in woollens' are unusually complete continuing as late as 1748/49. By Acts of 1666 and 1678, whose intention was to stimulate the woollen trade:

No corpse, except those who shall die of the plague, shall be buried in any shirt, shift, sheet or shroud made or mingled with flax, hemp, silk, hair, gold or silver ... or in any stuff other than sheep wool ... or put in a coffin lined or faced ... other than sheep wool.

An affidavit was required from a relative at burial. The penalty for breaking this law was £5, which was to be paid half to the poor and half to the informer. So frequently was the law broken that the penalty was effectively a tax of £2 10s 0d, (£2.50p), the informer often being a member of the family of the deceased. The Acts were repealed in 1814.

As the graveyard became full it became necessary to bring in further earth that resulted in its original level being raised to what we see today. (The 1853 drawing of the crossroads shows the church wall to be much higher).

Diligent research by Robert West of the Vestry Records (the Vestry was the administrative committee of the Parish of Havant until the Havant Urban District Council was set up in 1894 and usually met in St. Faith's Church vestry) has revealed that as early as 1843 the Vestry had started to consider what to do about the churchyard becoming overcrowded but it was not until August 1849, when a letter on the subject was received from the Archdeacon of Winchester, that any action was taken. The idea of extending the

churchyard by purchasing an adjoining garden in South Street was immediately rejected. It was instead proposed that a committee be formed in order to locate a suitable piece of land outside of the town centre for a new cemetery. The committee reported back on September 11, 1849 that such a site had been found: a portion of the field known as Long Close (Plot 382 on the Tithe Map) situated just to the north of the modern Elmleigh Road, which was owned by Sir George Staunton.

According to an article that appeared in the *Hampshire Telegraph* on September 8, 1849, which was probably written by one of the committee members, Sir George Staunton had:

Kindly assented to dispose of two acres of ground and liberally offered a donation of £50 towards carrying out the desired object...

However subsequent consideration led the committee to come to the conclusion that two statute acres would be more than they required and upon this being represented to Sir George Staunton he informed the committee that instead of the plan named above he would present to the parish one acre. If the Vestry accepted this offer they would have had to agree a payment in compensation to William Softly who rented Long Close from Sir George. (It is recorded that on March 20, 1851 a sum of £125 was paid to Sir George which was presumably this compensation that was required.)

Some six months later in April 1850, the Vestry book states that:

It was reported that the site formerly selected for the cemetery was unfit for that purpose and that Mr Hoskins, Sir George Staunton's solicitor, informed the Vestry that Sir George was ready to give away another suitable plot on his property.

Why Long Close should suddenly be deemed unsuitable is not known but at any rate a second committee was formed to find a new site and within a week they had resolved upon an acre of land at the southern end of New Lane. By July 1850 plans for a mortuary chapel had been drawn up and approved and by August the thorny problem of finance had been resolved.

The cemetery was the largest and most expensive project that the Vestry had ever undertaken. Although they were relieved of the cost of purchasing the land they still had to find an estimated £150 to build the chapel, £200 to erect the boundary wall and entrance gate and a further £50 for the consecration fee. The plan was to obtain the money by way of a loan arranged with Mrs Mary Hewett of Havant to be repaid in seven annual instalments at 5% interest from a special Cemetery Rate levied at 3 pence (1p) in the £. However the following passage in Charles Longcroft's *Topographical Account of The Hundred of Bosmere* published in 1856, records that the money required was raised by subscription:

The site was presented to the parish [of Havant] by Sir George Staunton, and the subsoil is flint gravel. The mortuary chapel and necessary walling have been erected by subscription. One statute acre has been inclosed for the members of the Church of England, and one quarter of a statute acre for the Dissenters. The inclosure walls are of flint and brick. The entrance gateway and the chapel are built of flint, with Caen stone dressings. The style of the work is Gothic, and the chapel will accommodate about fifty persons. The windows are of stained glass, the floor of red and black tiles six inches square, and there is an outer iron gate, which is closed during the day, the inner door being left open to secure proper ventilation. A small turret and bell complete the whole, and the total sum expended did not exceed £416, of which the chapel cost £200. It was built by Messrs. Assiter and Thompson of Maidstone.

The Service of Consecration dated July 23, 1851 states that this piece of land, half a mile from the parish church, had been obtained and a mortuary chapel erected by subscription thereon because the existing burial ground belonging to the parish church was from its crowded state: *inadequate for the decent interment of the bodies of the parishioners and inhabitants.*

The following notice appeared the *Hampshire Telegraph*:

CONSECRATION OF THE NEW BURIAL GROUND, HAVANT

On Wednesday July 23rd, the Lord Bishop of Winchester will consecrate the additional burial ground and mortuary chapel in New Lane. Before the

ceremony there will be divine service in the parish church at half-past two, pm, when the Bishop has kindly undertaken to preach.

Although this burial ground is often referred to as the St Faith's 'cemetery' it is technically *a detached churchyard extension of St Faith's.*

Prior to this time all of Havant's deceased persons, irrespective of religion, were buried in St Faith's churchyard. St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church and churchyard were not opened until 1875 and is still used today. A few burials took place at the former Primitive Methodist Church in West Street. Some may have been buried in Warblington churchyard but this is unlikely as it was within the Parish of Warblington that included Emsworth. The attached sketch shows the St Faith's cemetery with its chapel although it is doubtful if it was as large as it appears. The paving stone that was at the entrance to the chapel is still there and Laurie Booth has been able to trace the outline of its foundations by dowsing.

The Dissenters (Nonconformists) were those who did not follow an Established Church. In 1728 they built a church in the Pallant and later became known as Congregationalists. Their new church was built in North Street in 1891 and their name was changed to the United Reformed Church when they merged with the Presbyterian Church in 1972.

Presumably the Dissenters wished to have their own burial ground. It was mainly used until the early 1900s but a few burials have taken place up to 1960. There are still grave spaces available for use. The burial register is held at the Hampshire Record Office.

Certainly it was allowed to become neglected as in 1929 the council resolved that they would maintain it for a fee of £5 per annum although for the first year only £3 was paid. Quite what happened after this is not clear but when, in 2007, the council realised that no payments were being made they ceased to maintain it and it is now somewhat overgrown. This area has the potential to be made into a managed wildlife area or if there are any spaces available, be used for further interments.

The first St Faith's burial was that of Melinda Fearn, aged 28, on August 29, 1851. However, as from then on everyone had a separate grave space, the

cemetery filled up much quicker than the old churchyard and by 1895 it had become full so more land was required. Fortunately alongside the cemetery was the Stone's allotment site. This was an area of land had been given by Sir George Staunton's successor at Leigh Park, William Stone, to be held in trust for the establishment of allotments for "*the labouring classes of the Parish of Havant.*"

On 25 March 1895 the Urban District Council of Havant entered in to an agreement with the trustees to exchange 1 acre 3 roods 8 poles (0.73 hectare) of the allotment site for a similar area of land to the north to enable the cemetery to be extended. An enclosing wall that matched the original was constructed which was topped with iron railings. These railings were removed to help the 1939 -1945 war effort. Whether they did or not is debateable, as it has been recorded that much of the metal that was collected was not suitable for further use and was dumped. Fortunately the fine entrance gates survived.

Before it was opened there was a considerable debate in the council as to whether or not the cemetery should be dedicated or consecrated. Eventually it was resolved that the cemetery would be dedicated. The first burial took place on July 31, 1896 and was that of Edward Till. Edward was a council road foreman who had died of cancer at the early age of 44. Like so many council workmen he was also a volunteer fireman so he was accorded the honour of having his body conveyed to the cemetery on the fire engine, which was drawn by two black horses.

One of the reasons given for not consecrating the new cemetery was that if it were a chapel: *must be built for the exclusive use of Episcopalians (members of the Church of England)*. Whether or not this was true at the time the Rector said that any service could be conducted in the church.

However it can be seen from the 1897 Ordnance Survey map that a Nonconformist Mortuary Chapel had been built in the new cemetery on the central island while the Church of England Mortuary Chapel was still there. Furthermore Laurie Booth has found, again by dowsing, evidence of a small chapel, no doubt a temporary one, to the south of the new chapel. This chapel appears to have had an altar and an aisle with three pews on either side. Two

footpaths led off from the west door, the one towards Leigh Park and the other towards Havant. It is not clear how these chapels were used in practice but the 1940 Ordnance Survey map shows that the Church of England chapel has gone and the new one as being for general use. The new chapel was still being used in the 1950s but was later demolished following a fire.

When a Church of England burial ground becomes full it can be declared as being 'closed' and the responsibility for its maintenance passed to the Local Authority. This was done in respect of the St Faith's burial ground by an Order in Council, which was made on October 26, 1960. Under the order no further burials are allowed to take place although it may be possible to obtain a relaxation for the burial of cremated remains. If major work is required to be carried out, for example to trees or tombstones, the permission (a Faculty) must be obtained from the Chancellor of the Diocese. This legislation does apply to the burial grounds of other religions and therefore the dissenters' cemetery cannot be 'closed'.

This new cemetery provided sufficient new grave spaces for about 6,000 burials until it became full 1976. However burials are still taking place in those grave spaces that have been purchased and where there is an adequate depth and is with the permission of the grave owner. Also contract burials, these being burials carried out at the expense of the local authority because the person died without sufficient funds to pay for their funeral, (formerly called pauper or workhouse burials). For these burials common/unpurchased graves are used of which there are about 600.

Before the Havant and Waterloo Urban District Council was created in 1932 the Parish of Bedhampton came under the Havant Rural District Council and the Havant Cemetery was within the Havant Urban District Council area. This situation gave rise to the following request that was made on February 24, 1930:

Read letter from the Clerk to the Havant Rural District Council enquiring whether in view of the re-arrangement of County Districts under the Local Government Act when the Parish of Bedhampton would form part of the new Havant District, and to the fact that the churchyard at Bedhampton was practically full, the Council would be prepared to allow interments

from that Parish to take place in the Havant Cemetery on payment of the ordinary fees for interment from the Urban District. The Clerk pointed out that under the cemetery Bye-laws the fees from Parishes outside the District for interments were double those within the District and that in his view, the Council had no power to go outside the Bye-laws. After fully discussing the matter it was resolved that whilst wishing to accede to his request the constitution of the Bye-laws prevented the Council from doing so.

In 2007 Havant Borough Council provided for the Holocaust Memorial, which is located on the central island of the 'new' cemetery. The memorial is made from a block of Welsh Slate and has a stainless steel 'flame' mounted in a hollowed out section. The 'flame', which is the symbol of the Holocaust Memorial Day Trust, is to represent warmth, hope and remembrance emerging from the cold of the slate. A service is held here each year on January 27, International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

These cemeteries should be regarded, not only as the last resting place of our former citizens, but also as valuable environmental resources for the living. They are an educational and recreational asset that should rank in importance as any other open space. They are rich in flora and fauna, much of which has been identified by Ralph Hollins. Lichen and mosses thrive on the old gravestones and they possess a large number of fine trees.

Every effort must be made to maintain our cemeteries to a high standard and to actively promote their enhancement as:

Places of Peace and Tranquillity.

Some funerals that were reported in the *Hampshire Telegraph*.

DEATH OF COLOUR-SERGEANT HOWSE

We regret to have to announce the death of Mr. James Howse, which took place at his residence in North-street about noon on Saturday September 5, 1885. Mr. Howse was well known and respected. After a period of over 25 years in the Royal Marine Light Infantry, in which corps he reached the rank of colour-sergeant, Mr Howes joined the Volunteer Battalion in 1861 and served there ever since then. He was Sergeant Instructor until obliged to relinquish that post, and until now was colour-sergeant. He was also for many years the Hon. Secretary of the Working Men's Club, and his loss will be regretted by members of that institution with whom he was exceedingly popular. Mr. Howes, who was 65 years of age last month, leaves a widow and large family. On Wednesday afternoon the remains were conveyed to their last resting place at the Havant Cemetery followed by a large number of relatives and friends. Within a few days of 48 years of honourable service in both the R.M.L.I. and the Volunteers, Colour-Sergeant Howse leaves a good and respected name. The coffin, which was covered with some of the many handsome wreaths sent by various friends, was carried on the shoulders of eight of the H Company, the deceased sergeant's helmet, belts and sword being conspicuous. Those of the company that could attend paraded in full dress with side arms and followed, whilst Sergeant Thorne, R.M.L.I., and other detachments from the outlying companies came to take part in the procession. The service was performed by the Rev. R. P. Thompson, and the arrangements were satisfactorily carried out by Mr. Carrell of the Pallant.

12th September 1885.

A PARCHMENT MAKER'S FUNERAL

On Saturday last, December 6, 1890, the remains of Mr John St. Aubyn Mason were buried at Havant Cemetery, the Rev. Canon Renaud officiating. Mr. Mason who died on the 1st inst. aged 49, leaves a wife and large family, he had been employed for many years by Mr. A. Stent, fellmonger, Havant, and was much respected. Nine parchment makers, of the firm G and A Stallard, carried the deceased from his late residence to

the grave, and about twenty parchment makers and skimmers from Mr. A. Stent's yard followed immediately behind the chief mourners.

13th December 1890.

THE HAVANT MURDER

The funeral of the little boy, Percy Knight Searle, aged 8, the victim of the recent tragedy at Havant, took place at Havant Cemetery on Saturday December 1, 1888, a sympathising crowd of over five hundred persons, being present. The route from the cemetery gates to the church path was lined with deceased's schoolfellows, each carrying flowers. An enormous quantity of wreaths was sent by visitors and residents. The lad's mother was utterly prostrated, and was too weak to walk without assistance. The whole proceedings were most impressive. With regard to the prisoner Husband it has transpired that he made an artful attempt to escape from his cell by breaking down the trapdoor through which his food was supplied, and when the wife of Sergeant Knapton appeared the boy asked if she would leave the door at the end of the corridor open, so that he could hear the people moving in the house. The prisoner was afterwards moved to another cell, where he gave way to a fit of rage. Additional evidence has, it is officially stated, been obtained, strengthening the case against Husband. Hundreds of persons visited the cemetery and the scene of the murder on Sunday afternoon.

8th December 1888

HAVANT BELL RINGER

The remains of Mr. George Little, who died on Wednesday October 22, 1890, at the age of 69, were buried on Saturday in the Havant Cemetery. Deceased had been a bell ringer for nearly 40 years and his fellow bell ringers rang muffled peals for over an hour on Saturday evening.

1st November 1890.

FUNERAL OF Mr. FAWCETT

The funeral of the late Mr. Walter John Fawcett took place on Monday April 13, 1891, at the Havant Cemetery. Mr Fawcett, who died on the 10th inst, had been ill for only a few days. He was the second son of the Chief

Engineer (at the works at Brockhampton) of the Borough of Portsmouth Water Works Company, and had been engaged at the works for many years. The funeral service was impressively read by the Rev. Canon Renaud, Rector. The whole of the family of the deceased attended as chief mourners and there were many of the public present as a mark of respect. There was also a large attendance of the officials of the Company at the cemetery, amongst them being Mr. H. R. Smith (Resident Engineer), Mr. J. L. Wilkinson (Chief Clerk), Mr. S. W. Winter (Cashier), Mr. W. L. Sparrow (Clerk), Messrs. R. A. Mitchell, G. Banning, E. Nott, T. D. Sheppard, and E. Simmons (Collectors), and Mr. W. C. Willcox (Meter Inspector); also the staff of employ es from the fitting shop at Portsmouth and the works at Havant. There was quite a profusion of floral emblems, one especially handsome was the cross from the officials and clerks of the office at Portsmouth. The funeral arrangements were ably carried out by Mr. J. Staples of Havant.

18th April 1891.

AN ODDFELLOW'S FUNERAL

The remains of the late Mr. James Couzens, who died on Friday last, December 9, 1892, at the age of 61 years, were interred on Wednesday at the Havant Cemetery. Deceased, who, was one of the founders of the "Loyal Pride of Havant" Lodge of Oddfellows, Manchester Unity, established 25 years ago, and a trustee of the juvenile branch, was followed to the grave by many members of the Order, the Noble Grand of the lodge (Mr. G. C. Stokes) reading the Oddfellow's burial service.

13th December 1892.

FUNERAL OF MR. TAPLIN

The funeral of Mr. J. Taplin, who died at his residence, East End, Havant, on Thursday March 14, 1895, took place at Havant on Monday. The remains were enclosed in a polished oak coffin, with brass mountings and a breastplate, on which was inscribed the name, age (81 years), and date of decease. The cortege left the residence at noon, the funeral car being followed by the carriages containing private mourners. In the first carriage were the Vicar of Portsmouth (Rev. E. P. Grant) and Dr. Norman:

second Messrs. B. Bramble, G. Taplin, A. Taplin, and A. Burbidge and F. Penney (executors); third, The Mayor of Portsmouth (Mr. T. King, J.P.); the Rev. Canon Jacob, Sir W. D. King, and Mr. J. Griffin. J. P., fourth, Mr. A. Addison, and Mr. W. Payne, J.P.; fifth, Messrs. E. Rawson, J.P., G. Stallard and S. R. Ellis.; sixth, Messrs. J. Dunning, D. Greenwood, Among the gathering at the Havant Congregational Church, where the first part of the funeral service was conducted, there were also present General Sir F. FitzWygram, Bart. M. P., J.P., Messrs. A. Gearing, G Selby Hall, Rutland, G. Scarrott, Roffey, Dr. Norman etc. The service was taken by the pastor (the Rev. R. J. Wells.) was of a simple character, consisting of the reading of a portion of the Holy Scriptures, and one or two prayers. At the close the coffin was again placed in the funeral car, and conveyed to the Havant Dissenters Cemetery, where the coffin was deposited in the vault where the body of the late Mr. Taplin's wife was laid in January 1867. The Vicar of Portsmouth read the concluding portion of the Church of England service at the graveside. Among those who sent flowers were Lady FitzWygram, Mrs. L. Stevens, of Southsea, Mrs. Stevenson, Landport, Mr. R. Rawson, Havant, Mr. and Mrs. Markwell, Brighton, and the Havant Chrysanthemum Society. Messrs. E. Hyde and Co., King's-road Southsea, had charge of the funeral arrangements.

23rd March 1895.

[The Taplins' grave is in the top left hand corner of the Dissenters' Cemetery near to the Duke of Argyle's Tea Plant].

DEATH OF MR. G. BANNISTER

The funeral of the late Mr. George Bannister took place on Monday September 9, 1895, at the Havant Cemetery, the remains, enclosed in a polished oak coffin, being laid in the family vault. The mourners were Dr. William Bannister (brother), Dr. Hooper Bannister (Nephew), Mr. Augustus Bannister and Mr. W. Curtiss Thompson. Many of the principal traders in the town closed their shutters. Deceased who was 80 years of age, died on the previous Thursday, after only a few days' illness. His residence at Havant had extended over 20 years.

14th September 1895.

MILITARY FUNERAL

The first military funeral that has ever taken place in the Roman Catholic Cemetery in Havant was that of John Mellace of the South Wales Borderers, whose remains were interred there on Thursday afternoon February 1, 1894. The company to which deceased belonged attended the service and composed the firing party, and the burial service was conducted by Rev. Father Horrigan. The mourners included the widow, son, and other relatives and friends and comrades of the deceased.

3rd February 1894.

FUNERAL OF A RAILWAYMAN

The funeral of a young man Stillwell, who met his death at Barnham railway-station early last week while engaged in shunting trucks, took place on Saturday February 18, 1899, at the Roman Catholic Cemetery. Deceased who was 21 years of age was carried to the grave by his fellow-porters at the station, and the chief mourners were members of his family who reside at Hermitage, Sussex. A large number of friends attended the ceremony at St Joseph's Church, where the Rev. Father Hayes officiated.

25th February 1899.

A FIREMAN'S FUNERAL

UNIQUE SIGHT AT HAVANT

The funeral of the late Mr. Edward Till took place at Havant on Friday, July 31, 1896, amid every sign of respect. Many shops were partially closed, and most of the private houses on the line of the route had their blinds drawn. Deceased, who had been ill for some time, died on Wednesday week, at the age of 44, from cancer. He joined the Havant Volunteer Fire Brigade in January, 1889, was a medallion holder in the St. John Ambulance Association and was a member of the St. John Ambulance Brigade in connection with the National Fire Brigades' Union.

The funeral cortege left deceased's residence at three o'clock. The polished oak coffin, with brass mountings, was placed on the top of the fire engine, covered with the Union Jack, on which were placed the helmet, belt and axe worn by deceased. The engine was drawn by two black horses,

with members of the Fire Brigade in full uniform marching in front, and other members acting as bearers walking by the side of the engine. Two mourning coaches followed containing the deceased's widow, sons, and other near relatives; a number of relatives and friends marched in the procession immediately behind, and included members of the St. Faith's Bible Class, of which the deceased was a member. There was a large congregation at the new burying-ground where the internment took place at the request of the deceased (this being the first internment in the ground), so that he should be laid near his children who had been buried in the old cemetery. A large number of floral tributes were placed on the sides of the fire engine, one from his old comrades being placed on the coffin; another handsome wreath was sent by Mrs. C. P. Boyd, of Emsworth House. The funeral service and address was impressively rendered by the Rev. William Cuthbert, of Somers-road Primitive Methodist Chapel

8th August 1896.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR. SAMUEL CLARKE

The remains of the late Mr. Samuel Clarke, one of the oldest inhabitants of Havant and a large owner of property in the town and in the surrounding parishes, were laid to rest on Saturday May 5, 1906, in the Havant Cemetery, amidst many manifestations of great respect. The first part of the funeral service took place in the Parish Church, the Rev. Canon Scott, the Rector, officiating, assisted by the Rev. R. W. P. Teale

Born in Havant on September 30th, 1824, the deceased lived there all his life. He was in his 82nd year. On the 6th day of May 1852 he married Miss Anne Foster, daughter of Mr. Thomas Land Foster, late of Brockhampton, Havant (who survives him), and they celebrated their golden wedding on the same date in 1902. He succeeded his father, John Bridger Clarke, as a miller, maltster, corn and coal merchant, and he also made and carried out the business of a brewer until the year 1903.

The late Mr Clarke was a large property owner, and in the course of his life built over 60 cottages and houses in Havant and neighbourhood greatly improving the houses of the poor, and particularly at Homewell at Havant.

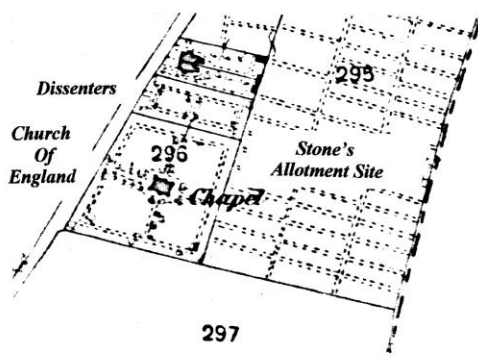
His public life has been a long and varied one. He was for many years Chairman of the Havant Local Board, and for 50 years consecutively a member of that and the Havant Urban District Council which followed it. He was a member of the late Havant School Board from the formation until a year ago. A Director of the Havant Gas Company; Chairman of the Directors for several years, and chairman of the Directors of the Havant Town hall company for many years. He was a Churchman in religion and a Liberal in politics.

This is his record, and shows that during life he was not by any means idle, but rather the reverse. He was a gentleman of strong personality and an excellent businessman, and the town has on more than one occasion have had the benefit of his experience.

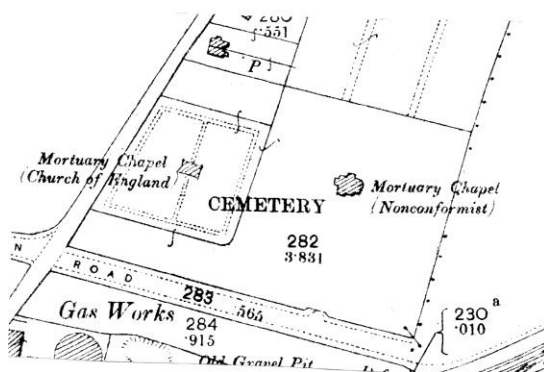
The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs. Geo. & R. Carrell of Havant.

10th May 1906.

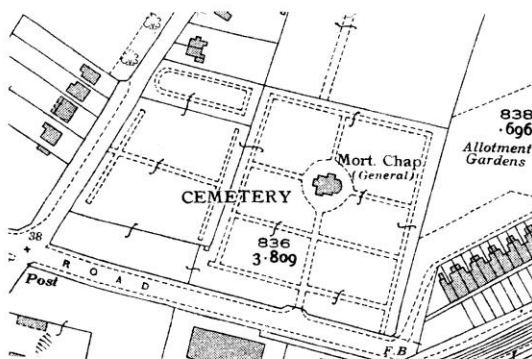
Ordnance Survey Maps of the Havant Cemeteries.



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HAVANT CEMETERY.

A PERSON IS REQUIRED TO TAKE CHARGE OF THE HAVANT CEMETERY YARD for the current Year, ending the 25th of March, 1867.

His duties will be as follow,

To put the Cemetery Yard into decent order and to maintain it during the year.

To take up and sift the gravel in the several paths, to deposit the larger gravel and stones outside the Cemetery for sale, to lay down shingle to be provided by the Committee, and to roll, make, and maintain all the paths finer and more even than at present.

To edge all the paths evenly, and to lay down flint or other edging to be provided by the Committee.

To wheel outside the Cemetery for sale the gravel and stones thrown out of the graves and vaults. In the event of a new vault being opened during the current year the Committee will allow some special remuneration for the work.

To roll and mow the grass where even, and to cut the grass where uneven, and upon and around the graves, and to make up the graves with mould and turf over the whole of the cemetery yard once in every month, from the date of appointment up to the 31st of October, and to cut the grass and make up the graves during the winter as may be necessary.

To sow grass seeds and to plant flowers and creepers when furnished and ordered by the Committee.

The Contractor will be at liberty to dispose of the grass cuttings for manure or otherwise, but he must account to the Committee for all gravel or stones sold.

A Barrow and all necessary tools will be found by the Committee.

The Contractor will be under the control of the Committee and must obey and carry out all orders made by the Committee whether comprised in the duties before stated or not.

The Remuneration to be paid for the year will be FIFTEEN POUNDS, one half payable on the 1st of November 1866, and the other half on the 25th of March 1867.

Persons willing to undertake the performance of the duties, are to apply in writing to Mr. LONGCROFT, at his Office, on or before the first of May next.

By order of the

Churchwardens and the Cemetery Committee.

Havant, 25th April 1866.

WHITE, PRINTER, HAVANT.

The New Havant Cemetery. Reports of the Council Debates, Hampshire Telegraph, January 4 and 11, 1896.

HAVANT CEMETERY.

CONSECRATION V. DEDICATION.

At Monday evening's meeting of the Havant Urban District Council, Mr. Thomas Hilton presiding, a division of opinion was expressed with regard to the appropriation of the new town cemetery.

The Rector of Havant (the Rev. S. G. Scott) attended with two members of the Church Council with a view to obtain the consent of the Council to an Episcopal consecration of a portion of the cemetery.—The rev. gentleman urged that the matter was one dear to every Churchman. He explained that it would in no way interfere with the Council's supervision of the ground. They had no desire to make a monetary gain, and in asking for the privilege they were only prompted by a pious sentiment on the part of church folk. He would become the Council's chaplain, but without fee, though a reasonable amount would accrue to him from fees for the erection of monuments.

Replying to the Chairman, the Rector further said that a separate chapel would not be insisted upon, as church funerals might be conducted either in the Parish Church or in the church at the old cemetery.

The deputation having withdrawn, the Cemetery Committee reported that they had carefully considered the question in all its bearings, and they strongly advised that the whole of the new Cemetery should be dedicated. Their reasons were set forth as follows:—(1) As a matter of common justice to the ratepayers, all of whom, irrespective of any distinction, have been called on to assist in the purchase. Any other course would result in the creation of privilege on the one part and the imposition of disability on the other. (2) If consecration of a part of the ground took place, a chaplain must be appointed at a salary, and that salary must be approved and practically fixed by the Bishop. (3) If consecration took place a chapel must be built for the exclusive use of Episcopalians. (4) The cost of consecration was considerable, involving legal and ecclesiastical charges. (5) Consecration introduced an element of embarrassment to the Council by giving part control to the Bishop, and under him to the Chaplain. In view, therefore, of the common civil and religious liberties of all ratepayers, the Committee advised the Board to request the Bishop to dedicate the whole of the cemetery, as had been done at St. Alban's by the Bishop of that diocese, and also at Chelmsford and many other towns. If the Bishop declined to accede to that request the Committee suggested that the local clergymen and ministers should be asked to dedicate the cemetery, at which service the Council should be present, and through its officers declare the ground open. The whole ground, if these suggestions were adopted, would be under the direct control of the Council. The Committee also submitted a code of rules and a table of fees.

The Council resolved that the whole question should be discussed and settled at a special meeting next Monday evening.

HAVANT CEMETERY TO BE DEDICATED

A special meeting of the Havant Urban Council, on Monday evening, was attended by Messrs. T. Hilton (Chairman), A. Chignell (Vice-Chairman), J. Softly, S. Clarke, W. Leng, F. G. Foster, W. Fletcher, J. Smith, F. Stubington, A. Stent, G. Stallard, and G. R. Stanning.

The Chairman of the Roads and Cemetery Committee (Mr. Stent), again presented the report read at the Council meeting last week, recommending that the new cemetery should be dedicated and not consecrated, inasmuch as in the latter case it would be imperative to build a special chapel and to appoint a chaplain. The Committee suggested that the Bishop should be asked to dedicate the ground, and that in the event of refusal on his part the local clergy and ministers should be asked to do so.—Mr. STENT moved the adoption of the report, together with certain regulations for the management of the ground.—Mr. FOSTER seconded the resolution.—Mr. STUBINGTON elicited the fact that the old cemetery was presented by the late Sir George Staunton, the Rector and churchwardens being trustees. The ground had been divided, one portion being devoted to Nonconformists.

The CHAIRMAN: Then this is really the first cemetery which Havant, as a town, has provided?

Mr. CLARKE: Yes.

The CHAIRMAN said that they must not forget that the Church party had to bear equally the cost of the Cemetery with other ratepayers. (Mr. CHIGNELL: More.) They ought to bear that in mind as a respectful answer to the deputation who came there in the previous week, and acknowledge fairly that both for the town and the maintenance the amount would come out of the pockets of Churchmen as well as Nonconformists. As to the allegation that if consecration took place it would be necessary to appoint a Chaplain, he said that in a case with which he had to do elsewhere the Chaplain was appointed at the nominal sum of £10. The erection of a chapel for Episcopalians would not be necessary, the Rector having told them that the service might be conducted in the church. He had sincerely hoped that the Committee would have taken a broader view of the matter. At Barrow-in-Furness the cemetery had been divided, the incumbent, clerk, and sexton foregoing all their ancient fees. He desired to show clearly that there was a way in which a harmonious settlement might have been made in the matter, and the feelings considered of those who, rightly or wrongly, believed in consecrated ground.

—Mr. CHIGNELL observed that he did not agree with the mode at which the Committee had arrived at their decision.—Mr. STUBINGTON thought the report bore very hardly upon the Church community, who hitherto had provided the burial ground for the whole of the town. He thought the Committee should have found a way out of the difficulty without taking such drastic measures as the report contained, inasmuch as the granting of the privilege which the Church deputation had asked for, would have entailed no expense on the parish. He should neither move an amendment nor vote for the resolution.

The resolution was carried by eight votes, Messrs. Chignell, Softly, and Stubington remaining neutral.

A scale of fees was subsequently passed, the charges being similar to those already paid in the Havant parish.

Wildlife Observations in the Havant Cemeteries

by Ralph Hollins

The plant species listed below are not the result of an exhaustive or methodical study of these two sites but are a by-product of more than 20 years of recording wildlife in a much wider area around Havant (originally just the area I was able to visit in person but more recently extended to all the coastal counties from Kent to Cornwall thanks to the internet) for two purposes - one is for my personal interest in becoming familiar with the species that occur in the area and the second is to attempt to make as wide a public as possible aware of both the pleasure to be derived from observing the whole range of wildlife and the importance of understanding and 'conserving' the natural world as a single 'life support system' without which we humans would become extinct (as we would if we were magically moved from Earth to Mars).

The lists of plant species have been compiled by extracting from my database of observations all my botanic records for the years 2008, 2009, 2010 for the two 1 km map squares (SU 7205 for Warblington and SU 7206 for Havant) and adding to those specifically noted as being in the two cemeteries any others which I believe to occur in the cemeteries but which are noted under some other site name (e.g. 'Warblington CBC plot' which covers the whole extent of Warblington Farm for which I participated in a Common Bird Census for about 20 years, or 'Havant Town Unspecified'). I have then merged these year lists to produce a single list for each site and I have indicated for each species whether I believe it to be 'Wild' (occurring without human intervention), 'Planted' (originally planted on a grave or as an ornamental tree though maybe subsequently spreading naturally), or 'Sown' (the product of wild flower seed sowing in recent years). The list is in alphabetic sequence of the English Names which I use for the species (some people will know the species by alternative names but use of English names leads to less confusion than the use of Scientific (Latin) names which are currently subject to rapid change as Botanists reclassify plant families based on their DNA rather than features visible to the naked eye or low power microscope)

After the plant lists I have added some general comments on other groups such as Birds, Insects, Fungi and 'Others'.

Plant Species (All wild unless otherwise stated)

Annual pearlwort	Bulbous Buttercup	Common toadflax (and sown)
Autumn hawkbit	Burnet rose	
Bilbao fleabane	(planted in northern	Common vetch
(possible confusion /	'unmanaged' area)	Corn chamomile
misidentification	Burnet saxifrage	(sown)
with Guernsey fleabane)	Californian Poppy	(a look alike species
Birdsfoot trefoil	(planted)	Anthemis
Bittersweet	Caucasian stonecrop	austriaca supplied in
Black knapweed	(planted)	seed
Black medick	Charlock	mixtures?)
Black nightshade	Cleavers	Corn cockle (sown)
Blackberry	Common catsear	Corn marigold (sown)
(no attempt to	Common chickweed	Cornflower (sown)
distinguish	Common dog violet	Cow parsley
between different	(originally planted?)	Creeping Buttercup
species)	Common field	Creeping cinquefoil
Blue anemone	speedwell	Cuckoo flower
(Planted on some graves	Common fumitory	Cultivated daffodil
but also occurring as	(and sown)	(planted)
'self sown')	Common mouse ear	Cut leaved cranesbill
Broad leaved	Common nettle	Daisy
willowherb	Common orache	Dandelion
Bugle	Common ragwort	Dove's foot cranesbill
(originally planted ?)	Common sorrel	Duke of Argyll's
Early dog violet	Hoary willowherb	teaplant
(originally planted ?)	Hogweed	(planted long ago!)
English stonecrop	Ivy leaved speedwell	Scentless mayweed
(planted)	Knotgrass	Self-heal
Feverfew (sown)	Lady's bedstraw	Shepherd's purse
Field bindweed	(some sown and	Slender speedwell
Field forget-me-not	planted?)	Smooth hawksbeard

(maybe originally planted)	Lesser celandine	Southern wood rush
Field scabious	Lesser stitchwort	Spanish bluebell
Field Woodrush	Lesser swine cress	(some planted?)
Garden Forget-me-not	Lords and ladies	Spear leaved orache
(originally planted ?)	Meadow buttercup	Spear thistle
Garden	Meadow vetchling	Spotted medick
Garlic mustard	Mouse ear hawkweed	Spring Sedge
Germander speedwell	Nipplewort	(Exterminated after 2008
Grape-hyacinth	Ox eye daisy	in favour of wildflower
Greater periwinkle	Oxford ragwort	sowing)
Greater birdsfoot-trefoil	Pendulous sedge	Square stalked
Green alkanet	(planted)	willowherb
Green amaranth	Perennial sowthistle	Sticky groundsel
also known as Pigweed	Perforate St. John's wort	Sticky mouse ear
(sown) (one plant - probably a contaminate in seed mixture?)	Petty spurge	Sweet vernal grass
Green field speedwell	Prickly lettuce	Sweet violet
Grey sedge	Prickly sowthistle	(originally planted ?)
Ground ivy	Primrose	Thyme leaved
Groundsel	(originally planted ?)	speedwell
Guernsey fleabane	Procumbent	Wall speedwell
(see Bilbao fleabane)	pearlwort	Wild carrot
Hairy bitter cress	Red campion	Wood avens (also known
Hairy tare	(sown) (could occur wild)	as Herb-bennet)
Hedge bedstraw	Red clover	Yarrow
Hedge bindweed	Ribwort plantain	Yellow oxalis
Hedge mustard	Rough hawkbit	White bryony
Hedge woundwort	Scarlet pimpernel	White clover
Hoary ragwort	Scented mayweed	White comfrey
Large bindweed	Smooth sowthistle	(probably originally planted)
Large flowered evening primrose (wild?)	Snowdrop (planted)	White stonecrop (planted)

Trees

Cherry (2)	Hornbeam (1)	Robinia (1)
Cockspur thorn (1)	Horse chestnut (6)	Rowan (3)
Corsican pine (1)	Laurel (1 plus 4 groups)	Sycamore (7)
Euonymus (shrub) (1)	Lawson cypress (2)	Walnut (1)
Flowering apple (4)	Lime (28)	Western red cedar (9)
Hawthorn (2)	Norway maple (5)	Yew (18)
Holly (2)	Plum (5)	
Holm oak (2)	Poplar (3)	

Species of Insects

Among a myriad species likely to be found in these relatively un-polluted, flower rich, grassy areas some of the more obvious species likely to be encountered are:

Butterflies

Peacock, Comma, Small Tortoiseshell, Gatekeeper, Speckled Wood, Meadow Brown, Small Heath, Small Copper, Orange Tip, Brimstone, Green Veined White, Red Admiral, Common Blue, Holly Blue, Large Skipper, Small Skipper and in some years several migrant species may stop off to feed at the flowers (Clouded Yellow, Painted Lady, Large and Small Whites). Wind-blown vagrants from downland (Portsdown and the Isle of Wight) which might be seen include Marbled White, Chalk-hill and Adonis Blue, Brown Argus and maybe a Green Hairstreak.

Moths

Should an entomologist set up a light to attract moths to these areas they could easily find up to 100 species on a night with favourable weather but the daytime visitor to the cemeteries may also see some day flying species such as Cinnabar, Burnet, Hummingbird Hawkmoth, Speckled Yellow, and Silver Y (also known as Gamma moth).

Dragonflies

While these congregate around water when breeding nearly all species will roam widely in a period after they have emerged from underwater larvae and before they are ready to seek a mate and during this period they will be attracted to areas such as the cemeteries where they can find insect food. Three of the larger species which can be seen hunting in these areas are the Southern Hawker, Migrant Hawker and Broad-bodied Chaser

Other Insects

Among other insect groups represented in the cemeteries are grass hoppers, bush crickets, flies, bees, wasps plus beetles. Among the spiders I have found in the unmanaged northern (Dissenters) section of the Havant cemetery are the large and colourful Wasp spider (*Argioppe bruennichi*) with its gold, black and white banded body and its distinctive orb web in long grass to catch grasshoppers.

Birds, Mammals and Reptiles

At all times of year a visitor to the cemeteries can expect to see ten or twenty bird species and during the course of a year well over a hundred bird species will probably visit or fly over these areas but, unlike the plant species which take root there, there are no species permanently attached to these sites. Similarly few mammals are dependent on the cemeteries but Foxes, Rabbits and Squirrels all visit them regularly and Hedgehogs probably visit them, as may Frogs, Toads, Lizards and Slow-worms, Grass Snakes and Adders.

Fungi, Mosses and Lichens

The Havant cemeteries are moderately rich in fungi and I have recorded 15 species there in the past three years including a prominent ring of large Wood Blewits and enough Field Mushrooms to make a meal (beware of the look alike Yellow Stainer). In 2010 a couple of Giant Puffballs came up. I have only recorded six species at Warblington but they include Field Mushrooms and a good show of the large Tawny Funnelcaps. I have not attempted to identify mosses and lichens (the best place to look for lichens is on the old tombstones in Warblington churchyard rather than in the cemeteries),



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NATURE MIGHT STAND UP
AND SAY TO ALL THE WORLD
THIS WAS A MAN
DUTY NOBLY DONE

War Graves in the Council Cemetery

First World War, 1914 to 1918.

George Bertram **Fisher**. 29. Sapper, Royal Engineers.
William **Haynes**. 37. Gunner, Royal Marine Artillery. HMS *Malaya*.
Archibald J. **McNeill**. Private, Cheshire Regiment.
Winter **Parham**. Lance Corporal, Royal Berkshire Regiment.
James Alan **Stallard**. 19. Private, Gloucestershire Regiment.

Second World War, 1939 to 1945.

Service Personnel

Marguerite Beatrice **Burge**. 22. Aircraftwoman, Women's Auxiliary Air Force.
Edward James **Giddings**. Aircraftman, Royal Air Force.
Franciszek **Jankowski**. 32. Serjeant, Polish Resettlement Corps.
William Henry George **Marchment**. 56. Chief Joiner, HMS *Victory*.
David Charles **Peters**. Gunner, Royal Artillery.
Karl **Poldmaa**. European Volunteer Worker.

Eric **Robson**. Leading Motor Mechanic, HMS *Midge*.

Herbert John **Rogers**. 50. Petty Officer, HMS *Iron Duke*.

Civilians

Mary Anne **Guy**. 65. and Linda Perry **Coggell**. 72. Killed when their bungalow at 26 Fourth Avenue was bombed on October 8, 1940.

Florence May **Luff**. Killed by enemy aircraft machine gun fire at 77 Hulbert Road.

Ethel **Ripley**. 53. and Violet Gertrude **Todd**. 52. Killed when their house, Petit Cottage, Glenleigh was bombed on December 5, 1940.

Herbert John **Wills**. 47, and Elizabeth Ann **Wills**. 44. Killed when their cottage at Helmsley House, Bartons Road was bombed on April 17, 1941.

Not every burial has a War Grave headstone.



Engraving of the Havant Crossroads, January 20, 1853.



Early Engraving of the St Faith's Cemetery by William Pink.



The Funeral of Fireman Edward Till. The first burial in the new Council cemetery on 31st July 1896.



1930s Photograph Showing the Railings.

The Holocaust Memorial



This memorial has been placed by Havant Borough Council
to remember all victims of the Holocaust
and reflect upon those affected
by more recent atrocities.

Holocaust Memorial Day is 27th January each year,
the anniversary date of the liberation of
Auschwitz – Birkenau concentration camp.

Holocaust Memorial Day Statement of Commitment

The Statement of Commitment, written in 2001 to remember the Holocaust and encourage people to stand up for understanding and justice.

The response to the statements is: WE SAY NEVER AGAIN

We recognise that the Holocaust shook the foundations of modern civilisation. It's unprecedented character and horror will always hold universal meaning.

R. WE SAY NEVER AGAIN

We believe the Holocaust must have a permanent place in our nation's collective memory. We honour the survivors still with us, and reaffirm our shared goal of mutual understanding and justice.

R. WE SAY NEVER AGAIN

We must make sure that future generations understand the causes of the Holocaust and reflect upon its consequences.

We vow to remember the victims of Nazi persecution and of all genocide.

R. WE SAY NEVER AGAIN

We value the sacrifices of those who risked their lives to protect and rescue victims as a touchstone of the human capacity for good in the face of evil.

R. WE SAY NEVER AGAIN

We recognise that humanity is still scarred by the belief that race or religion, disability or sexuality makes some people's lives worth less than others'.

R. WE SAY NEVER AGAIN

We have a shared responsibility to fight the evils of racism in genocide and discrimination. We condemn the evils of prejudice and xenophobia and will do our utmost to make sure that the lessons of such events are fully learnt. We value a free tolerant and democratic society.

R. WE SAY NEVER AGAIN



The entrance to the cemetery would be more attractive if the Yew trees were removed and the areas laid out for the burial of cremated remains. The removal of the tool shed would enhance the setting of the holocaust memorial.



Eastern Road Entrance to the Council Cemetery.



New Lane Entrance to the St Faith's Cemetery.

Havant Dissenters' Cemetery New Lane

A Brief History and Record of Burials



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INTRODUCTION

During the course of some research on Havant Congregational Church history that I undertook as an inexperienced researcher around the 1970s I found, whilst scanning some old minute books, that we possessed a cemetery in New Lane. However, I was never aware of it being used during my lifetime and I assumed that Havant Borough Council was maintaining it. Certainly, when I visited the cemetery in the 1970s the pathways were still in existence and I now find that a burial and some cremation interments took place as late as 1961. These included a burial undertaken by the Roman Catholic priest of St Joseph's Church, Havant in 1970.

The information that I have on the cemetery is taken from a photocopy of a plan of the numbered grave plots supplied by Havant Borough Council in about 1973; from a folder of memorial inscriptions held by Hampshire Record Office; and from a photocopy of a register originally in the possession of the Congregational Church in Havant but now in the keeping of Hampshire Record Office in Winchester.

The attached document lists every grave that has been used and where possible I have taken the names from the hand-written Burial Register, working on the assumption that the ministers at the time would have known the correct names of those being buried. However, the earliest entries by the Reverends Scamp, Llewellyn and Watson are rather unclear as are the ones that are scrawled in without any details. This does not always tie in with the memorial inscriptions, since names get worn down and transcriptions are not always correct.

Where I can link a memorial inscription with a relevant record this has been added, otherwise it can be assumed that the Cemetery Plan ties in with the Burial Register. If the plot has an unknown entry, or is unused, it has not been listed.

In total there are 315 plots marked on the Grave Plot plan supplied by Havant Borough Council. From the data available it appears that some plots are double, or even triple family plots.

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HAVANT DISSENTERS' CEMETERY NEW LANE

What interesting facts one 'unearths' when researching graveyards and cemeteries!

The original St Faith's church was built about 1150 on what may be the site of an earlier Saxon church. The adjoining graveyard provided the parish of Havant with its only burial ground for those of any religious denomination. The parish records covering the period from 1653 to 1851 record that some 6,000 departed souls were buried there and from this figure it has been estimated that the graveyard could well contain the remains of over 20,000 people. By the 1850s it was decided that no more burials could be carried out there so a new site would have to be found.

Sir George Staunton generously gave a piece of his land in New Lane for this purpose. One acre was used to provide for those of the Church of England under the control of St Faith's Church and one quarter of an acre for Dissenters under the control of the Dissenters' Chapel which later became the Congregational Church and then the United Reformed Church.

This paper is much too short to go into explaining Dissenters, but they began with the Reformation. From the time of Henry VIII for around 100 years, the priests of the nation swayed between Roman Catholicism and Protestantism, being blown along by which ever ruler was on the English throne. I have this vision of thousands of priests standing like tall grass, being blown this way and that. They were unthinking and unquestioning, or perhaps too cowardly to stand their ground. Dissenting ministers were those who simply felt their questioning consciences would not let them swear allegiance to either Catholicism or the Anglican Church and in 1662 well over 2,000 priests were ejected from their churches with no further means of support or acknowledgement. The majority of these ejected priests were regarded by the Anglican Church as 'intruders' having displaced the incumbents some years prior to the Commonwealth period.

The eventual outcome is a much longer story but between 1700 and 1800 many Independent Chapels were built either with graveyards attached, or with separate ones adjoining public churchyards.

When a Church of England burial ground becomes full it can be declared 'closed' and the responsibility for its maintenance, but not control, can be transferred to the local authority and this is what has happened with the St Faith's section. However there is no such provision for burial grounds of other denominations and therefore the Dissenters' section remains the responsibility of the United Reformed Church. However in 1929 the council agreed to maintain it for a fee of £5 per year. Although £3 was paid in 1930 there is no record of any money being paid since and when this was realised in 2007 the council ceased to maintain it.

In the early 1970s a friend and I had climbed over the wall to have a look for a relative of mine. Yes, at that time, the gate was locked and barred, so we couldn't get in. The pathways were clearly visible, as were one or two flat grave markers that I can remember. I found out that Havant Borough Council had a burial plan for the cemetery of which they reluctantly let me have a copy. I had to stand my ground by saying: "But this is part of my own Church history.

I became interested in the cemetery when I realised how overgrown it had become by trees and huge brambles and by the end of 2011 the Church had paid for a tree surgeon to clear these away. In doing so they uncovered a couple of really large grave plots that simply were not noticeable before. It was only by clearing the brambles away that they came to light. A few weeks later, and after three other people had spent a couple of hours working with me, we had another very large bonfire and cleared an accumulation of rubbish thus leaving the site in a much better state than previously.

This gave me the chance to consider recording the site. Searching the Hampshire Record Office website, I discovered that a Burial Register is held by Hampshire Records Office. Why I do not know. My understanding is that registers should be held in a safe within the church. A few burials or interments of ashes took place during the period 1950–1970 so we were still maintaining the burial register then, and obviously the Borough was maintaining the grounds.

As I now had a copy of the plan of the cemetery from Havant Borough Council, which showed the names and locations of the burials, and a copy of the Burial Register I was able to collate the information I required. I have

relied heavily on the Burial Register, census records and for information on ministers, the Surman Index. This index is a record of Dissenting Congregational ministers from a very early date. There may be other ministers of course, but if they are not recorded in the Burial Register, we have no way of knowing.

The burial by a priest from St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church is indeed strange. I wonder what the reason was for that – particularly as St Joseph's have a graveyard behind their church in West Street? It may well be a husband and wife of different faiths because in the same plot is William Charles Sheppard who was buried by the Reverend Wells, and in the adjoining plot 143 are Matilda and William Sheppard. So obviously it is a family plot.

When I visited Winchester in order to obtain a copy of the register I found that someone in the 1960s had been round the cemetery recording the memorial inscriptions, and the Record Office gave me a photocopy of this record. Finding this information meant I could work on the assumption that the minister writing up the register would have known the correct name, and I have been able to make a listing of every burial with the correct name as recorded and I have included any memorial inscriptions where these are available. Disappointingly, from my research viewpoint, one or two ministers were not at all helpful, illegibly scratching in a few names without dates and without the details of the officiating minister.

I have always been intrigued by Reverend William Scamp who was the Dissenting minister of Havant Independent Chapel from 1803 for 43 or 50 years, depending on what record you look at. If you read the memorial tablet in the church erected by Frances his wife it is 50 years. However, church records, and the Denomination records indicate that he was the minister for 43 years, and that is confirmed by the diary of Martha Burrows in Havant Museum. Martha was a church member and a very particular diarist. She would not have made a mistake. William's daughter Ann and her husband James are marked in the cemetery by a low pink granite gravestone. This appears to be placed on top of a much larger surround. At the foot of this plot is a small headstone, which is broken, but we have found the pieces, with an inscription that would appear to indicate the dates of deaths of the Reverend

Scamp's first wife Ann and the second wife Frances. Surely he MUST be buried here. In fact it would be surprising if he and his two wives were not buried in the cemetery but they are certainly not listed in the burial register. The *Congregational Church Year Book* recording his death states that he was buried in the churchyard. This cannot be St Faith's churchyard which was by then out of use, but surely it cannot mean the St Faith's cemetery. That just would not make any sense. This man was such a Dissenter. Even his will indicates him as a 'Protestant Dissenting minister'. For a man of his stature it is surprising that there is no record in the local *Hampshire Telegraph* though his first wife Ann has a mention:

... after protracted continuance of severe sufferings, Ann, the faithful and beloved wife of the Rev W Scamp. She was universally respected and esteemed by the inhabitants of the town, and highly valued for her works' sake by the different members of that religious community to which she belonged, who can fully believe that the good hope through grace, which sustained and supported her in her sufferings, has terminated in the fruition of Eternal peace.

The *Congregational Year Book* of 1861 gives the following information:

SCAMP William, Havant, Hants. This venerable servant of Christ was called to his rest on the morning of Tuesday September 18th 1860, at the advanced age of eighty-six. But little is known of his early life. He was born at Devonport in the year 1774, of humble parentage; but at an early age removed to Gosport, where he followed the trade of a journeyman cabinet-maker, in one of the leading establishments in that town. By his industry, sobriety and application to business, he gained the confidence of his employers and was promoted to the post of foreman over this establishment. He was converted under the ministry of the late Dr Bogue, and animated by the desire of bringing others to a knowledge of the truth, began to exercise his talents as a lay-preacher. His success in this department of Christian labour having recommended him to the favourable notice of his pastor, he was entered as a student for the ministry at the Theological Seminary in Gosport, of which Dr Bogue was the principal. In the October of 1800 he supplied the pulpit of the Independent Chapel, Havant, where the cause had for some time past

sensibly declined, owing to the Unitarian sentiments which had been entertained by the late pastor. Here he received an invitation from the people, he shortly entered upon his stated ministry, and was ordained as pastor over the church, March 9th 1803. For the long period of forty-six years he honourably sustained the ministerial office. His preaching was eminently successful – the church flourished, the Gospel was introduced into neighbouring villages, and, through his instrumentality, churches were formed and commodious chapels built in Emsworth and Hayling Island.

During his pastorate 387 members were added to the Church, and amongst those converted under his ministry were several who afterwards themselves became ministers of Christ; of these, some have entered into rest, while others are still labouring with success as pastors of Independent and Baptist churches.

In the year 1846, Mr Scamp resigned his charge, and has since lived in comparative retirement. In the early part of 1860, it became evident to his friends that his frame was sinking fast beneath the weight of years; it was not, however, until a fortnight of his death, that he was confined to his bed. During his last illness he was visited almost daily by the Rev William Tidd Matson, but was too enfeebled to engage in much conversation.

His remains were interred in Havant Churchyard, on Monday September 24th service having been previously held and an appropriate address delivered in the chapel in which, for so many years, it had been his wont to minister. Of irreproachable life, earnest piety, zealous devotedness to the cause of Christ, he was greatly esteemed by all who knew him, and the funeral sermon preached by the Rev Thomas Cousens, of Portsea, on Sunday evening September 30th, was attended by an overflowing congregation. “For him to live was Christ; to die was gain.”

There are other interesting family plots and one or two headstones that stand giving surprising information.

Plots 35, 36, 37, 38 and 42

These are names that relate to Reverend William Scamp. Unfortunately the officiating minister has only scrawled in the names Watson against 36, 37

and 38. So no help there at all. The Burial Register does not even record the officiating minister. However, in Plot 35 is P. E. Watson – Philip Ebenezer. He was the son of the late James and Joanna Watson. Philip ‘who departed this life Aug 11, 1854 age 36’ was a relative of James Watson who married Ann Scamp a daughter of Reverend William Scamp. Intriguingly, Ann Scamp Watson (spinster) the granddaughter of William Scamp left a lengthy will (Hampshire Record Office) in which she appears to have either reverted to Catholicism or held the Catholics in high regard. She left money to the Reverend Kenelm Digby Best of Brompton Oratory, money to St Joseph’s Church, Havant, for “the present incumbent to say Masses for her” and money to her friend Julia, who became a nun. She is definitely NOT buried in this cemetery and is probably in the one attached to St Joseph’s Roman Catholic Church, West Street, Havant.

William Scamp left £1,500 in his complicated rambling will with its four codicils which are extremely difficult to read. His wife Frances left £300 and their daughter Ann Scamp Watson £785.

At least three reverend gentlemen who did not serve the Congregational Church in Havant are buried in the cemetery:

Plot 40 – David Evans

There was scant information in the Burial Register, and no memorial inscription to prompt me, so I chanced upon this minister by guesswork as I worked through the names. David was born in Pembrokeshire in 1779. He was married to Mary Ann from London according to the 1851 census. David trained at Hackney Theological College. He had been an Evangelist, and then ministered at churches in Haslemere, Bognor and finally Emsworth, all Congregational churches.

Plot 41 – Reverend Charles Howell and Elizabeth Howell

The headstone for Charles Howell is long and almost gives his life history.

*To the memory of Rev. Charles Howell who died at Emsworth Hants
11 Dec 1858 in the 81st year of his age. 52 years pastor of
Independent Church at Alton Hants and nearly 10 years at Sidbury*

Devon. Also Elizabeth, relict of above, who departed this life 10 Dec 1861.

Charles was born on the 7th September 1778 near Lewes, and educated at the Gosport Academy. This Academy was run by Doctor David Bogue, who went on to found the London Missionary Society, and wrote, along with a co-author, a set of four books *The History of Dissenters from the Revolution in 1688 to the year 1808*. The 1851 census records that his wife Elizabeth was born in Emsworth, Hampshire. On the 1851 census two unmarried daughters are living with them both born in Alton, Mary and Elizabeth.

Plot 101 – Ann Jane Morgan and James Morgan

In memory of Ann Jane wife of Revd James Morgan of Emsworth who died Nov 27 1883 age 63 also Revd James Morgan who Died May 22 1887 age 62.

With a name like Morgan, as you would expect, James was born in Wales, (1861 census) and his wife in Barnstaple, Devon. In 1841 James was the minister at Harting Chapel where he was also listed in 1851. From 1855 to 1861 Charles was the minister at Emsworth. Charles was born near Haverfordwest in 1806 and he was educated at Hackney Theological College 1833–35. Traceable are a son James G. B. Morgan, who was born in Harting, and a daughter Elizabeth Ann.

Plot 51 – Rose Nutter and Matilda Ann Kinchott

Plot 52 – C. A. Kinchott

Plot 53 – T. Kinchott

In loving memory of Ann wife of Thomas Kinchott, who died Aug 1896 age 47 also Charlotte Annie their daughter who died June 21 1917 age 32, also Thomas her husband who died Jan 7 1923 age 80, also Matilda Ann who died Oct 5 1952 age 99 Also Emma Elizabeth Kinchott NO SERVICE Cremation Casket (1961).

It is possible that Thomas Kinchott married Ann Smith in 1873, and she died in 1896. There was then a second marriage to Matilda Ann Nutter in 1898.

Matching the names on the graves from the memorial inscriptions does not help solve who Rose Nutter was in plot 51.

Plot 76 – George Young

George Young, late the Head Gardener of Leigh Park, who died 7 May 1872 age 56. He was living at the Gardener's Cottage with Mary his wife who was older than him by 9 years and born in Devon. George hailed from Witley, Surrey.

Plot 80 – Mary Ann Taplin and John Taplin

To the Memory of Mary Ann wife of Mr John Taplin who departed this life Jan 28, 1867.

Mr Taplin is buried in the vault with his wife right up in the north-east corner of the cemetery. Mr Taplin was a Congregationalist probably from Portsmouth; he married a young woman Mary Ann, also from Portsmouth who was an Anglican. She died age 30 and he erected a large memorial to her. Hence when he died two denominations were involved. The service in Havant Congregational Church was taken by Reverend Wells, and at the graveside an Anglican took the service. On the 1891 census John was shown as a retired draper living at East End Villa with Kate Batchelor his housekeeper. If East End House and East End Villa are one and the same, then after Mr Taplin died, his home was owned by George Stallard.

In this area there is a very large specimen of a Duke of Argyll's teapant. Although unusual it is not particularly rare.

Plots 107, 108, 109, 111, 112 and 113

A very large plot is designated to members of the Stallard Family. A Mr Stallard was responsible for the architecture of the United Reformed Church in North Street. The Stallards were a very prominent Havant and Bedhampton family.

A Havant girl, Jessie Stallard married the Reverend Richard Joshua Wells – a minister of Havant Congregational Church from 1882. Two of their babies Richard Stallard Wells (about 9 months old) and Archie Stallard Wells also a baby, were buried in this family plot in 1891 and 1894 respectively. In 1901

Reverend Wells was living just over the railway line in Leigh Road at Stonecroft, next to Alfred Stallard at Riversdale. There are 9 other family members buried in this plot. On the 1901 census Richard and Jessie also had daughters Gertrude, Dorothy and Marjorie. Jessie's mother Ann Stallard (born in St Giles London) was living on her own means in the household.

Memorial Inscriptions for some of this large Stallard family are:

Plot 107

In loving memory of Louise Evelyn born April 14 1863, died December 15 1876, also Florence Margaret Born July 27 1865 died May 15 1880, also Alice Annie born October 4 1856 died March 17 1914

Plot 109

In loving memory of Ann, wife of George Stallard born April 9 1828, died 1866, also George Stallard born Aug 1 1834 died March 17 1917

Plot 111

Also Richard Stallard son of Richard and Jessie Wells and grandson

Plot 113

Sacred to the Memory of Edward Stallard who died 7 May 1869 age 77, Charlotte wife of the above who died June 18 1876 in the 85th year of her age

Plot 121 – Walter Lassiter

In loving Memory of Bertram Walter, eldest son of Walter and Annie Lassiter who died Feb 20 1903 age 25, also James Morris who died July 10 1885 age 1 yr 6 months, and Violet Lillian who died Sep 17 1888 age 1 year.

Plot 226 – Joseph Bone and Harriet Bone

Sacred to the memory of Joseph Bone born Oct 19 1801, died May 16 1860, and Harriett his wife who died Jan 26 1886 age 82.

I cannot pass up noting the above two plots. The Lassiter family were still within the church when I married in 1965 and Joseph Bone is a great great uncle of mine.

Plots 221, 222 and 223 – Spurgeon

In 1881 Samuel Spurgeon, a Baptist minister, was head of the Manor House Academy for about 21 pupils in Manor House, Havant, which stood where Manor Close is today. His son Thomas Davis Spurgeon was a master at the school. Samuel, as a minister occasionally officiated at burials in the cemetery because his name is listed. From the Burial Register we can confirm that in these plots are Charles age 3 months, Alice 3, Agnes Jane 34, Fairfax 40 and 'E' just over 2. The Register is marked with some wording that looks like 'BRICK' but it is too unclear to make anything else of it.

The last plot that is of a good size is:

Plot 300 – Herbert, Ernest and Kate Randall

In this plot are three family members, difficult to transcribe, but probably in 1879 Herbert William age 1 year 7 months, in 1887 Kate age 11.4, so either 11 years 4 months, or 11 weeks 4 days, then there is Ernest 10 months but Reverend Wells has definitely put an incorrect year for this because he was most definitely not ministering in Havant in 1832! Ancestry.com shows a correct entry for 1882.

Plot 314 – Harry Edwin Randall and Percy Randall

In Loving Memory of Harry Edwin Randall died on his 19th Birthday Dec 8 1897 Also Percy who died April 23 1909 age 28. Also Sarah Jane wife of William Pitman Randall who died Sep 28 1918 age 67, William Pitman husband of S J Randall who died April 15 1883. Also Herbert William died May 12 1879 age 1 yr 7 months Also Ernest died Dec 27 1882 age 10 months 2 weeks Also Kate died Dec 8 1887 age 11 years 3 months

There are some odd entries as well. The person who recorded all of the memorial inscriptions in the 1960s (copy now held in the Hampshire Record Office) found 4 Inscriptions which are detailed at his listing number 26, but I

found no trace of them during research in the cemetery in 2012, though it is likely they relate to Plot 314.

W.R.P. 1883 – Should possibly be William Pitman Randall

H.W. 1879 – Herbert William

E. 1882 – Ernest

K. 1887 – Kate

Plot 315

And finally there are yet two more Randalls – William and Sarah Jane in this plot. Quite a large family assuming they are all related.

The Burial Register also contains a comment about reopened graves:

Thomas White was reopened for Annie Alice Stevens (died 25 February 1962 and buried 1st March 1962 by Reverend Maber). But there is no Thomas White in the listings in the register though there are two other Whites both William listed.

The following entry in the Burial Register also refers to a reopened grave but its exact meaning is unclear:

'Reopened grave of Charles Dane Byles in old C of E Cemetery

11.9.62 17.10.62 [aged] 90. Interment of cremated remains of FAY Francine Louise no service.'

Research on Ancestry and Free Births Marriages and Deaths indicates that Francine Louise Fay was the daughter of Charles Byles born in Christchurch, and Fanny his wife, born in Emsworth. Charles was a carpenter, and of course Fays were a building firm in Havant in the late 1800 early 1900s.

Extracts from the Burial Register

No.	Name and Memorial Inscription if known	Death	Burial	Age	Clergy
9	Sophia Hoad				Tidd Matson
"	Hoad		19/3/1884		
15	Ebenezer Ford and Rhoda Ford				
	In Loving memory of Rhoda, wife of E. Ford of Havant, also her husband E. Ford who died June 4, 1883 age 52.			78	R J Wells
				52	F Hern
16	John Ford and Augusta Richmond Ford				
	ILM of John husband of Augusta Ford wd Nov 28, 1908 age 49, also Augusta Richmond Ford wd Nov 21 1930 age 73				L Dowsett F Hern
19	William Ford	14/2/1857		64	
20	William George Ford	28/5/1857			
	To the memory of William Ford who died Feb 14, 1857 age 64, also William George Ford grandson of the above died June 28, 1857.				L Dowsett F Hern
21	Also Rhoda wife of the above who died May 16, 1870 age 77.				R J Wells
22	Emma Clifford	11/3/1869	15/3/1869	73	
23	Elizabeth Burden and William Burden				
	ILM of Elizabeth Burden wd Aug 3, 1883 age 51, also William Burden wd May 21, 1901 age 69.				R J Wells
25	Emily Cave	23/10/1885	28/10/1885	82	R J Wells
	Martha Burrows	15/2/1902	19/2/1902	76	R J Wells
26	Sarah Johnson Preston	20/7/1859		12	Tidd Matson
27	Marshall				
28	Marshall				
29	? Marshall			60	
	James Marshall	2/2/1898	6/2/1898	60	R J Wells
32	Newbury Marshall				
33	Marshall	Sep 1859			
34	Charles Marshall	23/7/1883		46	Spurgeon
35	Philip Ebenezer Watson				
	Philip Ebenezer Watson son of late James and Joanna Watson wdtl Aug 11, 1854 age 36.				
36	Watson				
37	Watson				
38	Watson				

40	David Evans Reverend				
	STTM of Revd David Evans, b at Haverfordwest, Pembroke d at Exmouth 21 Feb 1860 age 81 after a ministry of 45 years in the Independent Denomination.				
41	Charles Howell Reverend and Elizabeth Howell				
	TTM of Revd Charles Howell wd at Emsworth Hants 1st Dec 1858 in the 81st year of his age. 52 years pastor of Independent Church at Alton, Hants and nearly 10 years at Sidbury, Devon, also Elizabeth relict of above wdtl 10 Dec 1861 age 81.				
42	James Watson	June 1878			
43	Ann Scamp Watson	3/6/1889			Tidd Matson
	Ann Scamp Watson widow of JAMES Watson who died 3 June 1889 age 81, also James Watson wd 26 June 1878 age 73.				
45	Florence Weaver	10/2/1927	12/2/1927	42	McFarlane Harley
46	Alice Clark	30/3/1899	2/4/1899	16	R J Wells
47	Levi Clarke	14/7/1918	18/7/1918	70	E T Kirby
	and Ellen Clarke	24 Nov 1919	21/11/1919	71	
50	Frances Weaver	16/1/1894	20/1/1905	69	R J Wells
	and Anne Weaver	7/2/1927	10/2/1927	78	McFarlane Harley
51	Rose ... Nutter	13/8/1926	17/8/1926	80	McFarlane Harley
	Matilda Ann Kinchott	5/10/1852	10/10/1952	99	T Sturtridge
52	Charlotte Annie Kinchott	20/6/1917	24/6/1917	32	E T Kirby
53	Annie Kinchott and Thomas Kinchott				Cherrett
	ILM of Ann wife of Thomas Kinchott wd Aug 7, 1896 age 47, also Charlotte Annie their daughter wd June 21, 1917 age 32, also Thomas her husband wd Jan 7, 1923 age 80, also Matilda Ann wd Oct 5, 1952 age 99.				E T Kirby
	Emma Elizabeth Kinchott, cremation casket (1961).				E T Kirby
			12/6/1961		T Sturtridge
54	Elizabeth Smoldon	6/1/1896	9/1/1896		NO SERVICE
	William James Smoldon	5/1/1907	9/1/1907		R J Wells
55	William George Smoldon	8/1/1906	11/12/1906		L Dowsett
	Sarah Smoldon	12/2/1945	17/2/1945		L Dowsett
	TLM of William George husband of Sarah Smoldon wd Dec 8 1906 age 52, also William James only child of above wd Jan 4, 1907 age 22, also Elizabeth mother of above wd Jan 6, 1896 age 79.				
56	Victor William Andrew Nicholls		31/7/1911	6mths	E T Kirby
	John Sidney Nicholls	1/10/1916	4/10/1916	4 days	E T Kirby
57	William Frederick Salter and Mary Salter				
	ILM of William Frederick Salter and Mary Salter wd Nov 26, 1898 age 61,				R J Wells
	also Mary Salter wd Sep 14, 1906 age 69.				L Dowsett

58	Henry Thomas Horscroft and Eliza Horscroft				
	ILM of Henry Thomas Horscroft wd Nov 11, 1893 age 43,				R J Wells
	also Eliza Horscroft wd Feb 20, 1919 age 82.				E T Kirby
60	William White	7/8/1905	10/8/1905	60	E T Kirby
61	William White	13/9/1895	17/9/1895	21	R J Wells
62	Elizabeth Fisher	29/8/1893	31/8/1883	75	R J Wells
63	David Fisher	15/9/1897	18/9/1897	89	
64	Charles Hunt	26/6/1903	29/6/1903	50	R J Wells
65	Elizabeth Jago Sampson	18/7/1884		64	R J Wells
	ILM of Elizabeth Jago wife of Giles Sampson wd Sunday July 15, 1894 age 74.				
68	John Henry Hale	1/3/1918	5/3/1918	57	E T Kirby
	and Matilda Hale	6/10/1924	9/10/1924	65	McFarlane Harley
69	Francis John Till	22/8/1893	26/8/1893	35	Cherrett (Ems)
70	Harry Francis Till	2/2/1892		47	R J Wells
74	Mary Ann Herrington	2/4/1881		46	L Dowsett
	John Herrington	23/3/1909	26/3/1909	78	L Dowsett
75	Annie Herrington	3/6/1909	8/6/1898	46	L Dowsett
	IAR of Mary Ann wife of John Herrington wd April 2, 1881 age 46, also John Herrington wd March 22, 1909 age 78, also daughter Annie wd June 3, 1898 age 46.				
76	George Young				J Llewellyn
	IM of George Young late Head Gardener of Leigh Park wd 7 May 1872 age 56.				
77	Martha Lewis				J Llewellyn
	ILM of Martha Horwood wife of Charles Lewis wd May 6, 1872.				
78	Charles Lewis				
	IAR Charles Lewis wd Tuesday Aug 18, 1886 age 84.				
79	Fanny Bond Lewis and Emma Harriet Lewis				
	ILM of Fanny Bond daughter of late Charles and Martha Horwood Lewis of Horwood House Havant wd Jan 21, 1917 age 76,				E T Kirby
	also Emma Harriet, sister of above wd May 4, 1920.			70	E T Kirby
80	Mary Ann Taplin	8/1/1867		30	E T Kirby
	John Taplin	14/3/1895	18/3/1895	81	R J Wells
	TTM of Mary Ann wife of Mr John Taplin wdtl Jan 28 1867.				
81	Martha Lewis and Laura Phipps Lewis				
	Laura Phipps Lewis wd 9 June 1932 age 77, also Martha Lewis wd 5 Oct 1922 age 88.				E T Kirby
82	Ada, Henry, Edith and Benjamin Green				
	also their children:				
	Ada Beaumont wd Dec 4, 1888 age 3 years 10 months.				R J Wells
	Benjamin wd Aug 9, 1937 age 61.				Wm Scott
	Henry wd Feb 6, 1912 age 39.				E T Kirby

	Edith wd Feb 12, 1905 age 34.				Wm Scott
83	Elizabeth Jane and Henry Green				
	Elizabeth Green wd May 19 1898 age 49, also her husband				R J Wells
	Henry John Green wd July 28 1912 age 76.				E J Kirby
87	John Stebbing Canning				F Hern
91	Ellen Deem & William John Alfred J A Deem				
	ILM of Ellen wife of William John Alfred Deem wd Nov 11, 1902 age 50,				R J Wells
	also William John Alfred Deem wd March 27, 1912 age 58,				E T Kirby
	also Harriett Deem wd July 12, 1899 age 71.				
92	Mary Ellen Young and Jane Gleazer				
	IAR Jane Gleazer.	30/10/1908			
		8	3/11/1908	87	J S Solomon
94	Harriett Deem (or Dean as written in Register but corrected)		July 1899	71	R J Wells
95	Julia Moore	Jan 1886	15/1/1886		R J Wells
	ILM of Julia widow of late James Moore interred in Havant churchyard b Jan 14, 1811, d Jan 10 1886.				
	Mary Jane Jones	16/3/1907	20/3/1907	56	L Dowsett
97	James Pullen	5/1/1915	9/1/1915	72	
	Sarah Ann Pullen	5/1/1915	9/1/1915	83	
	ILM of James husband of Sarah Pullen wd March 19, 1904 age 73, also Sarah Ann wife of above wd Jan 5, 1915 age 83.				
98	Elizabeth Moore	19/5/1865			J Llewellyn
	STTM of Elizabeth daughter of James and Elizabeth Moore, late of this parish wdtl May 19, 1865 age 29.				
99	Margaret Landell Coldwell				R J Wells
	M Chignall				
	STTM of Margaret Landell, daughter of David & Dorcas Coldwell wd 24 Mar 1857 age 15,				
	also Margaret Chignell their granddaughter wd at Havant 30 Aug 1863 age 2 years 8 months.				
	David Coldwell				
	Dorcas Coldwell				
	ILR of David Coldwell wd Aug 8, 1874 age 67,				
	also Dorcas his widow wd at Newport I.O.W. an 11 1888 age 78.				R J Wells
100	Alfred Stent and Sarah Ann Stent				
	ILM of Alfred Stent wd April 11, 1903 aged 58,				R J Wells
	also Sarah Ann Stent widow of above wd 4 Jan 1936 age 86.				J S Solomon
101	Ann Jane Morgan and James Morgan				
	IM of Ann Jane wife of Revd James Morgan of Emsworth wd Nov 27, 1863 age 63,				
	also Revd James Morgan wd May 22, 1867 age 62				

102	Harriett Clements and Isaac Clements					
	IM of Harriett, wife of Isaac Clements wd Nov 21, 1880 age 84, also Isaac Clements wd Dec 17, 1886 age 88.				W Meadows R J Wells	
103	Ernest Hawkins				J Llewellyn	
	IM of Ernest Wallington son of Edward Bishop Hawkins and Anna Maria his wife of Freemantle Southampton, b Andover d at Havant 23, March 1869 in the 20th year of his age.					
104	Walter Laker and Jane Laker		79		J Llewellyn	
	IAR of Walter Laker wd at Havant 16 May 1879, also Jane Laker his wife wdtl Dec 6, 1882 age 73.				R J Wells	
105	William Reed and Mary Reed					
	ILR of William Reed wdtl June 20 1890 age 81, also Mary Reed his wife wdtl Nov 24 1910 age 94.				R J Wells E T Kirby	
106	Eliza Reed					
	STTM of Eliza daughter of William and Mary Reed wdtl 2 Oct 1865 age 24.					
107	Florence Stallard, Louise Evelyn Stallard and Alice Annie Stallard		15		W Meadows	
	ILM of Louise Evelyn b April 14 1863 d Dec 15, 1876, also Florence Margaret b July 27 1865 d May 15, 1880, also Alice Annie b Oct 1856 d Mar 17, 1914.				J Llewellyn W Meadows E T Kirby	
109	Ann Stallard and George Stallard		38		J Llewellyn	
	ILM of Ann, wife of George Stallard b Apr 9, 1828 d Sep 2 1886, also George Stallard, b Aug 1 1834 d Mar 17, 1917.		82		E T Kirby	
110	E. Stallard				J Llewellyn	
111	Richard Stallard Wells	31/5/189 1	4/6/1891			
	Archie Stallard Wells	30/3/189 4	30/3/1894	hours	Champness Champness	
	also Richard Stallard son of Richard Jessie Wells and grandson of above age 11 months.					
112	James Stallard					
	Maria Stallard	25/6/186 6		83		
113	Charlotte Stallard and Edward Stallard				J Llewellyn	
	STTM of Edward Stallard wdtl 7 May 1869 age 77, also Charlotte wife of the above wd June 18, 1876 in the 85th year of her age.					
114	Mary Ann Stent	27/3/188 2		61		
115	Edwin Stent	12/7/187 5		32		
117	Emily Shepherd	29/5/189 3	1/5/1893	32	R J Wells	
	ILM of Emily wife of Jesse Shepherd wd May 27, 1893 age 32.					

118	Margaret Morris and Margaret Joanna Morris				R J Wells
	ILM of Margaret Ayto wife of John Morris wd March 3, 1883 age 27, also Margaret Joanna, daughter of above d Nov 16, 1891 age 6 years 9 months.				R J Wells
119	John and A Ritchie and M A A Leng				R J Wells
	ILM of John Ritchie of Ayrshire wdtl at Havant Jan 16, 1882 in the 51st year of his age, also Annie Adams wife of above d. Dec 6, 1926 age 93, also Mary Ann Adames Leng, eldest daughter of above wd Apr 28 1927 age 6.				Mcfarlane Harley
120	James, Violet and Walter Lassiter				Mcfarlane Harley
121	Walter Lassiter				
	ILM of Bertram Walter eldest son of Walter and Annie Lassiter wd Feb 20, 1903 age 25, also James Morris wd July 10, 1885 age 1 year 6 months, also Violet Lillian wd Sep 17, 1888 age 1 year, also Walter Lassiter wd Dec 19, 1923 age 77.				R J Wells
					R J Wells
					R J Wells
					Mcfarlane Harley
123	Charles Frederick Leng				
	Charles Frederick Leng b Sep 30, 1893 d Nov 9 1893.				R J Wells
124	Eliza Nash and Ann Eliza Nash				
	ILM of Eliza Nash wd June 12, 1896 age 66, also Annie Eliza (daughter) wd July 18, 1913 age 49.				R J Wells
125	Alfred Nash	3/5/1927	7/5/1927	83	Mcfarlane Harley
		29/9/193			
	Arthur John Nash	9	3/10/1939	72	T Sturtridge
127	Ada Ellen Rook	4/4/1887	8/4/1887		R J Wells
		23/2/189			
	Bertram Lancelot Rook	2	23/2/1892		R J Wells
128	Henry Percy Bishop		21/9/1887		R J Wells
		18/9/188			
	Marion Beatrice Bishop	8	21/9/1888		R J Wells
		9/11/188			
129	Eliza Ann Bishop	8	16/11/1888	38	R J Wells
130	Mary Barber	4/5/1889	8/5/1889	72	R J Wells
		23/1/189			
	Ellen Barber	0	24/1/1890	33	R J Wells
131	Robert Barber	16 Oct 1890	20/10/1890	76	R J Wells
132	Emily and John Arter				
	IM of Emily Arter wd May 30, 1865 age 52, also John her husband wd Aug 24, 1885 age 74, also Louisa Wrapson daughter of John Arter wd Dec 13, 1902 age 44, also Mary Arter daughter of John Arter wd Jan 5, 1919 age 66, also Maria Ann widow of John Arter wd June 9 1891 age 64, also Alice Emily Arter wd April 1, 1945 age 84.				R J Wells
	IM of John Arter wd June 1, 1906 age 58 (<i>cremated at Woking ashes interred</i>).				R J Wells
					E J Kirby

133	Josiah Carter and Caroline Carter	IAR of Josiah Carter wd Jan, 12 1894 age 70, also Caroline his wife wd May 14, 1914 age 88.				R J Wells CofE Curate
136	Beatrice Deadman	21/7/1888 8	24/7/1888	days		R J Wells
	Ada Deadman	11/7/1890 0	15/7/1890	days		R J Wells
137	Gladys Nellie Scorer	May 1891	30/5/1891	3		R J Wells
138	Fanny Davies and Philip Davies					
	Philip Davies who died Jan 1923 age 75,	4/1/1923	75			E J Kirby
	also Fanny his wife,	30/1/1914 4	5/2/1914	63		Kirby and Stanley
	also Philip Percival Davies.	9/3/1943	12/3/1943	70		T Sturtridge
140	Philip Nevill Davies					
	ILM of Philip Nevill Davies wd May 1905 age 2 months.					R J Wells
141	Frederick Toulson					
	ILM of Frederick Toulson wd July 21, 1891 age 56.					R J Wells
142	Hannah Dear					
	Hannah Dear wd Nov 29 1892 age 83.					L Dowsett
143	Matilda E Sheppard	5/10/1907 7	9/10/1907	55		L Dowsett
	William George Sheppard	29/7/1923 3	1/8.1923	73		Mr W Tolcher
144	William Charles Sheppard	28/4/1888 8	2/5/1888	10mth.		R J Wells
	Dorothy Maud Sheppard	12/4/1970 0	16/4/1970	74		Father Murphy
145	Jane Dunnaway					
	STTM of Jane Dunnaway wd Feb 5, 1873 age 53.					
146	William Henry Salmon	5/1/1892 22/1/1914	8/1/1892	49		
	Fanny Salmon	4	26/1/1914	66		
147	William Fielder			45		R J Wells
	Mary Garrick		11/2/1905	83		R J Wells
148	James Fielder and Fanny Fielder					
	STTM of James Fielder wd at Havant June 18, 1864 age 52, also Fanny wife of above wd Feb 17, 1880 age 64, also William their only son wd July 7, 1882 age 45, also William Henry Salmon, son-in-law of above d Jan 3, 1892 age 47, and Fanny Salmon their daughter wdtl Jan 22, 1914 age 68.					J Llewellyn
149	Anne Wenham					J Llewellyn
	In Memory of Anne wife of Mark Wenham, Station Master at Havant, and daughter of John Dudeney, schoolmaster of Lewes, Sussex, wdtl 16 Nov 1863 age 54.					

150	Elizabeth R J Wells	9/7/1891	54	R J Wells
	Sarah Pauline Smith			
152	Sacred to the memory of Sarah Pauline Smith, daughter of James and Sarah Thomson b March 23, 1870 d Aug 12, 1870 age 5 months, also James Thomson father of above d July 11 age 45, also Sarah his wife wd 20 Aug 1940 in her 90th year.			
155	Roberts			J Llewellyn
156	Roberts		70	W Tidd Matson
160	James Thomson		44	Spurgeon
	Annie Elizabeth Thomson		11	R J Wells
	Sarah Thomson		89	Kenneth W ???
	also James Thomson father of above d July 1, 1773 age 45, also Sarah his wife in her 90th year. (<i>Memorial Inscription but not listed in Burial Register</i>).			
179	Henry Freeland	26/1/1905	56	
180	Marshall			R J Wells
	George Benjamin Marshall	23/7/1889	26/7/1889	48 R J Wells
	Louisa Marshall	9/9/1889	13/9/1889	43 R J Wells
181	William Windebank	17/4/1885		76 R J Wells
	Eliza Windebank		13/12/1902	
		10/12/1902	2	84 R J Wells
182	Elizabeth Kind			
183	Thomas Kind	24/11/1877	74	
184	Kind			
185	Kind			
186	Kind			
187	Not known (for Emsworth)			
188	Not known (For Hayling)			
189	Edward Crow (<i>Surname and dates not clear</i>).		66	R J Wells
	Sarah Crow?		86	R J Wells
190	Burrows			
191	Eliza Florence Martin	28/8/1886	29/8/1886	3mth. R J Wells
192	Blackmore			
193	Blackmore			
194	Blackmore			
195	Fidler			
196	Not known			
197	Charles Lee	27/1/1882	84	Spurgeon
	Albert G Day	21/9/1886	26/9/1886	3wks. R J Wells
	C G W Day	11/5/1891	13/5/1891	11mth. R J Wells

198	Samuel Gosney	20/6/1890	21/5/1890	77	R J Wells			
199	Eliza Sharpham	Eliza Sharpham d Dec 7, 1889 age 61.						
200	James Long	31/11/1889	10/12/1889	80	R J Wells			
201	Gannaway							
202	Not known							
203	Garnett							
204	Elizabeth Whittington	16/1/1891	19/1/1891	44	R J Wells			
209	Charlotte Eleanor Amy Hutchings	5/1/1888	8/1/1888	13	R J Wells			
210	George Sone							
211	Joseph Blackmoor	1858						
212	MaryAnn Blackmoor	1875						
213	Louisa Brown	1877						
214	Arthur Thomas Brown	ILM of Louisa Brown wd Feb 7, 1890 age 53, also James Brown wd Nov 23, 1900 age 63.						
215	Louisa Brown and James Brown	ILM of Louisa Brown wd Feb 7, 1890 age 53, also James Brown wd Nov 23, 1900 age 63.						
216	Elsie Rose Peters	25/2/1890	28/2/1890	3	R J Wells			
	Harry Peters	29/9/1894	Sep 1894	12	R J Wells			
217	David Anthony Peters	4/5/1894						
	Sarah Whittington	1/2/1900	16/2/1900	76	R J Wells			
218	William Farr and Hannah Farr	IARN of William Farr wd Jan 5, 1861 age 47, also Hannah wife of above wd Nov 16, 1885 age 72.						
219	Not Known							
220	Not Known							
221	Charles Spurgeon	7/2/1874	3 mth.					
222	Alice G Spurgeon	Mar 1874	3					
	Agnes Jane Spurgeon	May 1879	32					
	Fairfax Spurgeon	4/2/1885	9/2/1885	40	R J Wells			
223	E Spurgeon	Aug 1874	2 1/2					
	<i>(The above entries for 222 and 223 are marked in the Burial Register 'Brick.....').</i>							
224	James Stephen Longyear Foy	ILM of James Stephen Longyear Foy wd 8 Apr 1919, also Eliza his wife wd 21 May 1918.						

225	Francis Foy	7/1/1890	10/1/1890	73	R J Wells
	Eliza Rebecca Foy	21/5/1918	24/5/1918	74	E J Kirby
226	Joseph Bone	16/5/1860		59	
	Harriet Bone	26/1/1886	30/1/1886	80	R J Wells
	Sacred to the memory of Joseph Bone b Oct 19, 1801 wd May 16, 1860, also Harriett his wife wd Jan 26, 1886 age 82.				
227	Elizabeth Ann Martin	2/10/1862			
228	John Tubb Ford	4/11/1884		20	R J Wells
229	Samuel Whitbread	9/10/1884		76	R J Wells
	and Ann Whitbread	25/1/1909	29/1/1909	79	L E Dowsett
230	Maria Chalmers	9/10/1886		63?	
231	Emily Whitbread				
	Emma Phoebe Cooper	31/3/1921	3//1921	56	E T Kirby
	James Boxall	12 Dec 1880		71	
233	Phoebe Whitbread			2	
	Harry Cousins	17/8/1886		5wks.	
	Frank Whitbread	12/2/1897	15/2/1897	14	R J Wells
234	Alfred Whitbread				
	George Couzens	16/8/1884		5mth.	
	Harriett Wright		23/10/191 8	71	E T Kirby
236	Sarah Jenkins	21/2/181	25/2/1891	30	R J Wells
236 a	Caroline Barber	14/3/1898	17/3/1898 21/11/188	70	R J Wells
237	William Gibbon	21/11/1889	9	31	R J Wells
240 a	Arthur William Wright	6/11/1898	9/11/1898	31	R J Wells
241 a	Frances Crasweller	20/10/1899	24/10/189 9	79	R J Wells
243	Mark Ayling	29/5/1871			
244	Joseph Ayling	1870			
	Sally Ayling	31/8/1917	3/9/1917	90	F Hern
245	John Ayling	Feb 1864			
	IM of Joseph Ayling wd Sep 27, 1870 age 57, also Mark Ayling son of above wd May 29, 1870 age 16, also John Ayling wd Dec 28, 1861 age 78, also Sally Ayling wd May 31, 1917 age 90.				
					F Hern
247	Lucy Fernley				W Meadows

249	Charlotte Elliott	3/2/1888	9/2/1888	68	
	Harry Elliott	25/1/1895	29/1/1895	74	
250	David Elliott	Nov 1863		8	
	William Elliott	Nov 1863		4	
251	William Yaldon	Oct 1863			
	Emily Yaldon	1865		2	
252	Henry James Cails <i>(Unclear in register and cemetery plan).</i>		1876		R J Wells
253	Blanch Alma Yaldon	1891			R J Wells
	Henry Lee Yaldon	Sep 1878			
	Joseph Yaldon	28/5/1884			
	Martha Beatrice Yaldon		23/1/1887		
255	John Rann	11/1/1892	14/1/1892	67	R J Wells
256	Maria Chandler	21//1891	25/3/1891	83	R J Wells
257	Edward Sturgess	27/2/1891	2/3/1891	46	R J Wells
	Harriett Sturgess	11/3/1921	14/3/1921	79	F Hern
258	Not Known				
259	William Lee	Feb 1866			
260	Charlotte Lee	27/12/1882		84	Spurgeon
261	Eva Robina Giffin	20/5/1890	21/5/1890	9	R J Wells
262	Walter Darnell		11/12/1893	43	R J Wells
263	Edith Annie Huntley	13/1/1893	17/01/1902	12	R J Wells
	George Richard Huntley		17/2/1892	4mth.	R J Wells
	Kate Hortense Huntley	4/2/1897	7/2/1897	11mth.	R J Wells
	Claire Frances Huntley	4/2/1897	7/2/1897	2 yrs.	R J Wells
264	Robert Nash	6/3/1886	20/3/1886	83	R J Wells
266	Esther Yates				
	Catherine Ann Sparkman		4/2/1886	71	R J Wells
267	Not Known				
268	Albert J Davies	14/5/1888	18/5/1888	16mth.	R J Wells
269	Elizabeth Hedgcock	29/1/1888	1/2/1888	72	R J Wells
270	Douglas Dent		23/11/1887	58	R J Wells
271	Thomas George Potts		12/11/1887	58	R J Wells
272	Jane Cannings	10/12/1887	13/12/1887	67	R J Wells
274	? Fleck				

275	Wilson				
277	William Hoskins	Jan 1880		70	F Hearn
	M A Hoskins	13/2/1895	15/2/1895 30/12/189	80	
281	Ann Neal	27/11/1894	4	70	R J Wells
	William Neal	22/4/1900	26/4/1900	79	R J Wells
283	Neal				
	William Neal	1/1/1885			
284	Keens				
285	Sheppard				
287	Thomas Mantle Pettit				
	Thomas Mantle Pettit d 9 Feb 1896 age 83, also his wife Esther d 23 Apr 1907 age 77. (Not listed in burial register).				
288	Thomas Fowler				
289	Susanna Fowler				
	ILM of Thomas Fowler wd April 15, 1877 age 80. Also Susanna, wife of above wd July 13, 1878 age 76.				
291	Not known				
292	Steel				
294	James Marlow and Ann Marlow				
295	Walter Marlow and Mary Jane Marlow				
	IAR of Walter, son of James and Ann Marlow wdtl 12 Aug 1876 age 13 years 9 months, also Mary Jane Marlow wdtl Sep 1, 1883 age 30.				R J Wells
296	Joseph Starling	19/11/1895	23/11/189 5	66	R J Wells
	Elizabeth Starling	20/4/1909	24/04/190 9	75	F Hern
299	Jones				
300	Herbert William Randall		15/5/1879	1	Spurgeon
	Ernest Randall	30/12/1882		10mth.	R J Wells
	Kate Randall	10/12/1887	13/12/188 7	11mth.	R J Wells
304	T Windibank	27/3/1907	2/4/1907	81	L E Dowsett
305	Anne Windibank	27/11/1903	1/12/1903	81	R J Wells
	TTM of Thomas Windebank wd 28 March 1907 in his 82nd year, also Ann Windebank sister of above wd 26 Nov 1903 in her 82nd year.				
307	Hobbs				
308	Charles Rogers	23/8/1871	27/8/1872	15mth.	
	Sarah Rogers	16/4/1876	1/4/1876	17mth.	Spurgeon

309	William Rogers	23/3/188	28/3/1883	41	R J Wells
	Sarah Rice Rogers	22/7/1922	25/7/1922	83	E T Kirby
310	Olive Ella Stent	17/3/1906	21/3/1906	10	R J Wells
314	Harry Edwin Randall and Percy Randall ILM of Harry Edwin Randall d on his 19th birthday Dec 8, 1897, also Percy wd April 23, 1909 age 28, also Sarah Jane wife of William Pitman Randall wd Sep 28, 1918 age 67. William Pitman husband of S. J. Randall wd April 15, 1883, also Herbert William d May 12, 1879 age 1 year 7months, also Ernest d Dec 27, 1882 age 10 months 2 weeks, also Kate d Dec 8, 1887 age 11 years 3 months.				
315	William Randall	died 1883		34	E T Kiriirby
	Sarah Jane Randall	died 1918		67	E T Kirby

The Memorial Inscriptions list indicates the following, but there are no other indications and no sign of any stones marked when the ground was searched in 2011 but they probably relate to Plot 314 the Randall family.

W.R.P 1883, H.W. 1879, E 1882 and K 1887

REOPENED GRAVES

Thomas White's was reopened for **Annie Alice Stevens** (died 25/2/62 buried 1/3/62 by Revd Maber) but no Thomas White is listed in the Burial Register!

Charles Dane Byles? Age 90 in old C of E Cemetery died 11/9/62 buried 17/10/62 interred cremated remains of **FRANCINE LOUISE FAY**

ADDENDUM add

Plot 216 Mabel Gladys Peters	2/3/1897	6/3/1897	1 months	R J Wells
Harry Burnell Peters	29/3/1903	31/3/1903	4 days	R J Wells
Plot 235a Charles Henry Wright	25/3/1898	30/3/1898	65	R J Wells
Harriett Wright	19/10/1903	19/10/1918	71	E T Kirby

Abbreviations

b	born
d	died
wd	who died
wdtl	who departed this life
ILM	In Loving Memory
TTM	To The Memory
IAR	In Affectionate Remembrance
IARM	In Affectionate Remembrance and Memory
IM	In Memory
STTM	Sacred to the Memory

Data has been gathered from the following:

- Ancestry.co.uk census records.
- Burial Index of Havant Congregational Church (URC) Hampshire Record Office.
- Cemetery layout plan. A photocopy provided by Havant Borough Council (a large copy is held by Havant Museum).
- Free Births Marriages and Deaths.
- Memorial Inscriptions. A listing held by Hampshire Record Office.
- Surman Index – an Index of Dissenting Congregational Ministers compiled from various sources from 1662.
- The Havant Cemeteries at New Lane and Eastern Road. Ralph Cousins.

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF

JAMES FIELDER.
WHO DIED AT HAVANT, JUNE 18TH 1864, AGED 52 YEARS.

*A FATHER KIND, A HUSBAND DEAR,
AND FAITHFUL FRIEND LIES RESTING HERE.*

“THE MEMORY OF THE JUST IS BLESSED.”

ALSO FANNY
THE BELOVED WIFE OF THE ABOVE.
WHO PEACEFULLY FELL ASLEEP IN JESUS
FEBY 17TH 1880, AGED 64 YEARS...

HER FAITHFUL LOVE MOST DEARLY PRIZED
WAS SUSTAINED BY LOOKING UNTO JESUS THE AUTHOR
AND FINISHER OF HER FAITH.

ALSO WILLIAM.
ONLY SON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED JULY 7TH 1882, AGED 43 YEARS.

“THY WILL BE DONE”

ALSO WILLIAM HENRY SALMON
THE BELOVED SON-IN-LAW OF THE ABOVE

JAMES AND FANNY FIELDER
WHO FELL ASLEEP IN JESUS JANY 3RD 1892,
AGED 47.

“REDEEMED WITH THE BLESSED BLOOD OF CHRIST”

“MADE MEET TO BE A PARTAKER OF THE
INHERITANCE OF THE SAINTS IN LIGHT”

“HE WILL NOT RETURN TO ME, BUT I SHALL TO HIM”

ALSO FANNY SALMON.
DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE.

JAMES AND FANNY FIELDER
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JANY 22ND 1914,
AGED 68 YEARS.

*“ABSENT FROM THE BODY, AND AT HOME WITH THE LORD”
2. COR. 5.8. R.V.*



SACRED TO THE MEMORY

JAMES FIELDER

WHO DIED AT DAYANT, JUNE 18TH 1864 AGED 67 YEARS

WAS DEPARTED HIS SOUL TO HIS HOME IN HEAVEN
AND HIS BODY LIES HERE
THE MEMORY OF THE JUST IS BLESSED

ALSO FANNY

THE BELLOVED WIFE OF THE ABOVE
WHO DEPARTED HER SOUL TO HER HOME IN JESUS
FEBRUARY 1860 AGED 66 YEARS

HER FAITHFUL LOVE MOST DEARLY PRIZED
WAS SUSTAINED BY LOOKING UNTO JESUS THE AUTHOR
AND FINISHER OF HER FAITH

ALSO WILLIAM

ONLY SON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED JULY 18TH 1862 AGED 24 YEARS
HE WILL BE DEPT

ALSO WILLIAM HENRY SALMON

THE BELLOVED SON-IN-LAW OF THE ABOVE
JAMES AND FANNY FIELDER
WHO LEFT ASLEEP IN JESUS JULY 3RD 1862
AGED 47

REDEEMED WITH THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST
WAS DESIRING TO BE A PARTAKER OF THE
IMMORTALITY OF THE SAINTS IN LIGHT
HE DID NOT REFUSE TO BE THE CHALLENGE TO HIM
TO LEAVE HIM WHO HE LOVED HIM

ALSO FANNY SALMON

WIDOW OF THE ABOVE
JAMES AND FANNY FIELDER
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE LAST FEBRUARY
AGED 64 YEARS

REDEEMED WITH THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST

THE END



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